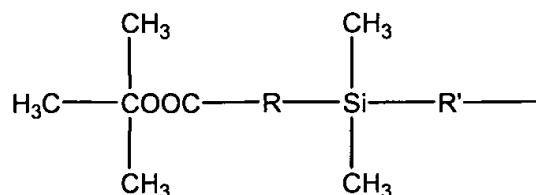


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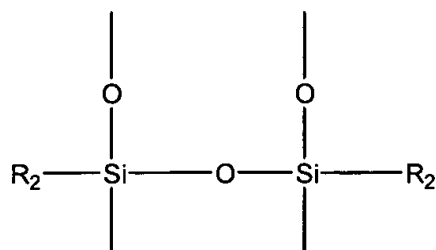
1. (Currently Amended) Silicone resins wherein a triorganosilyl group represented by the following general formula (1)



(1)

~~(wherein wherein~~ R is a divalent organic group and R' is a divalent group or a direct bond) ~~bond~~ is linked to all or a part of the ends of the backbone chain of polyorganosilsesquioxanes.

2. (Currently Amended) Silicone resins as described in claim 1 wherein the polyorganosilsesquioxanes contain a repeating unit represented by the following general formula (2)



(2)

~~(wherein wherein~~ R₂ is an unsubstituted or substituted phenyl group) ~~group~~ and the average number of repeating units is 2-5,000.

3. (Original) Silicone resins as described in claim 1 wherein the polyorganosilsesquioxanes consist of one type or a mixture of two types or more selected from ladder type, cage type, and mixed cage-ladder type and their weight average molecular weight M_w determined by gel permeation chromatography (GPC) and calibrated against polystyrene is 800-100,000.

4. - 6. (Cancelled)